



Formed in 2001 after the 9/11 attacks, this year marks the groups 18th Anniversary remembering the hero's and victims of 9/11 while honoring musical legends "Gone Too Soon" with its multi-media stage production.

Co-founder and drummer Peter Hackel lost sister Paige on American Flight #11 along with Paige's best friend Ruth McCourt Clifford and four-year-old daughter Juliana as the three were on a surprise trip to Disney Land and to meet with Deepak Chopra regarding Paige's syndicated radio program "Spiritually Speaking".

"Peter and the band came along at a good time in my career, and over the years it has continued to gel and improve on every level" says the groups other co-founder James Montgomery. "The events of 9/11 plus our personal and musical history is the glue which holds us together on and off stage"

After years of performances for organizations such as The American Liver Foundation, Pitching In For Kids with Tim Wakefield & Jason Varitek, The American Heart Association's Race for a Cure at The Hatch Shell, Boston plus a Boston Music Awards Nomination, the band found itself having to say goodbye to Montgomery as he set out to tour with the legendary Johnny Winter. That prompted the band to reach out to Danny Klein of J. Geils which led to the critically acclaimed follow-up group "Full House...Celebrating The Music of The J Geils Band".

Dozens of philanthropic shows later, in 2011 they reunited with James for the 10th Anniversary at the place where it all began...on Oct. 2, 2001 at Scullers in Boston. Since then, the group hasn't looked back. "James inspired me at a very dark time to create something special" says Hackel. "Just by showing up, babies have been born, marriages forged, charities benefited and much more. Thus, our slogan "Turning Tragedy into Triumph". This is just what Paige would have wanted".

The group now performs as "Soul Of a Legend...Celebrating Those Gone Too Soon" featuring only songs from iconic artists who perished at Paige's age (45) or younger including; Freddy Mercury, Janis Joplin, Jim Morrison, Jimi Hendrix, John Lennon, Elvis, Keith Moon, Stevie Ray Vaughn, Lynard Synard, John Bonham, Duane Allman, Brian Jones, Terry Kath, Otis Redding, Mama Cass-Elliot, Buddy Holly, Amy Winehouse, Marvin Gaye and others. Aerosmith's Steven Tyler, Joey Molland of Badfinger, Charlie Huhn of Foghat, Ian Mitchell of The Bay City Rollers are just a few who have been featured on stage with SOAL and truth be told, you just never know who's going to show up at a Soul of A Legend performance!

More on Our Family Story: Early on the morning of September 11th, Paige, Ruth and Juliana left Paige's home in Newton for Logan Airport. Although travelling together, Paige & Ruth had independent flights to make use of frequent flyer miles. Paige was booked on American Airlines Flight #11 while Ruth and Juliana were on United Flight #175. Also, Ruth's brother Ron Clifford, arrived at the World Trade Center fifteen minutes early for a business meeting. As he paced the lobby waiting, he felt the building shake. It was the impact of American Flight #11 hitting the North Tower. While Ron helped evacuate the building, he witnessed United Flight #175, the plane unbeknownst to him carrying his sister and niece, crash into the South Tower. To learn more about Paige and the work PH Productions has done in her name please go to: PHProductions.net. Never Forget.